

Dear Juliet,

I found your story one of the most interesting stories I've ever read. I will help you as much as I can but I admit this is a hard choice to make. Imagine living with Romeo the rest of your life. You can't keep the marriage a secret for long. Your families will defiantly be suspicious. Romeo and you will always be running about and making up excuses to see each other. What kind of marriage is that? Your families already have great hatred for one another and why make it worse than it already is. It seems like there's a lot of tension between your families and I don't think by marrying the enemy is going to make it any better. Your families could get in a fight over Romeo and you. This could end up having your loved ones getting hurt or worse.

On the other hand this marriage might bring peace between the families. The fights would probably stop and so would the hatred. They can't force Romeo and you to not get married. If I was in your situation I know I would tell my family first. Then I would see if they would approve. If they didn't approve I would wait until I'm older to make that decision and make sure my feelings don't change for Romeo. If Romeo truly loves you he should be willing to wait for you. For all you know this could be just a silly little crush that you could get over easily. Marrying at a young age could be very disastrous. From what I understand Romeo and you just met. How do you know that you guys will get along for the rest of your lives? Romeo may have habits that you aren't use to or that may annoy you. There might also be fears and secrets that you don't know about.

Juliet, take my advice seriously and think about it. Don't make any rash decisions. There are better guys out there for you. Just don't set your eyes on one guy and think he is the one. Remember you are responsible for your actions and if not planned wisely will result in major consequences. Actions speak louder than words so be prepared for anything. I bid you the best of luck with Romeo and hope everything goes smoothly.

Sincerely,

*Alissa Mazzocchi*